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PREMIER ASQUITH HAS RESIGNED

POST HAS BEEN OFFERED TO LAW

BRITISH CABINET CRISIS CULMINATES IN ASQUITH'S RESIGNATION AFTER A SERVICE OF EIGHT YEARS. LLOYD-GEORGE BELIEVED TO BE NEXT CHOICE OF KING GEORGE—LONDON'S POLITICAL CIRCLES STIRRED.

London, Dec. 5.—Herbert H. Asquith tonight resigned the British premiership, which he had held through eight stormy years of domestic and foreign history, and the government crisis found a solution which had been considered the least probable of practical alternatives.

The Unionist leader, Andrew Bonar Law, was summoned to the palace immediately after Mr. Asquith had departed, and the King offered him the prime minister's commission, which he had just accepted from Mr. Asquith's hands.

No announcement regarding Mr. Bonar Law's decision has yet been made and there are some doubts whether he will accept the heavy responsibility. If he declines, it is considered certain the honor will fall to David Lloyd-George.

The continuation of the coalition cabinet, with some changes, and the speeding up of the war management would be the policy in either event.

The premier's decision to resign and advise the King to summon Andrew Bonar Law to form a cabinet was taken after a day of extraordinary political excitement. There was constant coming and goings of the political leaders between Downing street and the government departments. Mr. Asquith consulted with several Unionist leaders, including Earl Curzon, Lord Robert Cecil and the Earl of Derby.

Noticeable absentees from this conference were A. J. Balfour, who is ill, Andrew Bonar Law, J. Austen Chamberlain and Walter Hume Long.

In the afternoon the premier met his supporters, including Viscount Grey, Lewis Harcourt, Edwin S. Montague, the Marquis of Crewe, Reginald McKenna, Walter Runciman, Lord Buchan, H. Samuel, Lord Reading and Arthur Henderson. It is supposed Mr. Asquith explained that he was forced by almost insuperable obstacles to the reconciliation of the conflicting interests and intended to resign. Almost immediately the premier drove to the palace and had an audience with the King.

It now is remarked that when Mr. Asquith was asked in the House of Commons yesterday if a food dictator had been appointed he replied sharply:

"I don't like a food dictator." There is much talk tonight of the possibilities of a general election. Mr. Bonar Law would first form a cabinet if he takes office, as it is necessary that the government be carried on, and then appeal to the electors for a ratification of his administration.

There is a strong opposition, however to any political campaign which must necessarily divert the country's energies from the war work, and the new government may decide to go ahead with the approval of the House of Commons only.

The part David Lloyd-George is playing in the crisis was demonstrated today by the fact that he remained in his office while the premier conferred separately with the Liberal and Conservative members of the Cabinet. Mr. Lloyd-George's policy had supporters in both camps. His strongest Libfriend, Lord Reading, carried messages between the premier's councils and Mr. Lloyd-George's desk. It was significant also that Mr. Bonar Law refrained from attending the Conservative meeting with Mr. Asquith.

Resignation Big Surprise. Mr. Asquith's retirement has taken the politicians so by surprise that they are not yet ready to predict the results. The possibility that he will consent to remain in the Cabinet with Mr. Bonar Law taking the post of Lord High Chancellor is discussed.

Herbert Samuel's promotion from the home secretaryship to Reginald McKenna's position at the treasury also is predicted, while acceptance of the resignation of Viscount Grey and A. J. Balfour, which some of the papers backing Mr. Lloyd-George are demanding, is less likely under Mr. Bonar Law's regime than if Mr. Lloyd-George came into power.

The labor party will hold a more important part in any new Cabinet. The more sensational London papers have enjoyed three or four days of almost frenzied excitement, with demands and denunciations, often in language stronger than in the memory of the present generation. Events in Rumania and Greece have been given a secondary place except as they were used as a basis for attacks on the ministers.

STABBED BY ESCAPING ASSASSIN OF LINCOLN

Col. Withers, Dead in New York, Was Orchestra Leader Night President Was Shot.

New York, Dec. 5.—Col. William Withers, who was leader of the orchestra in Ford's Theater in Washington the night Abraham Lincoln was shot, died here today. When Booth limped down the back stairway of the theater in his effort to escape after he had fatally wounded the President, Mr. Withers blocked his way. Booth stabbed him in the neck. Col. Withers was 80 years old.

BRYAN BEGINS HIS PROHIBITION DRIVE

Washington, Dec. 5.—William Jennings Bryan made his first public appearance in Washington today in his "prohibition drive." The former secretary of state, who has announced his intention of making prohibition a political as well as a moral issue, was accorded a rousing reception when he appeared on the floor of the house a few minutes before the arrival of President Wilson to deliver his message to congress.

Mr. Bryan was accompanied by his friend, Representative Claude Kitchin, of North Carolina, majority leader of the house. The outburst of applause which greeted his entrance was but little less in volume than that which marked the appearance of Mr. Wilson a few minutes later.

After listening to the president address the joint meeting of congress, Mr. Bryan had luncheon with Mr. Kitchin. He made no comment on the president's address and added nothing to his former announcements of determination to make the United States "dry."

THE STATE SUPREME COURT.

Columbia, Dec. 5.—The state supreme court met at 10 o'clock this morning and took up the several circuits.

Present Chief Justice Gary, and Associate Justices Hydrick, Watts, Fraser and Gage.

Peruvian Quano Company, respondent, vs. D. M. Evans, appellant; appeal abandoned.

The State, respondent, vs. Seth Winfield, appellant. Mr. J. B. Salley for appellant; Mr. Solicitor R. L. Sumter for the state. Mr. Salley in reply.

Bank of Williston, respondent, vs. Owen Alderman et al, appellant. Mr. Theo. C. Craft for appellant; Mr. Finley Henderson for respondent. Mr. Craft in reply.

P. M. Markert, respondent, vs. North Augusta Warehouse and Fertilizer Co., appellant. Mr. Finley Henderson in reply.

derson for appellant; Mr. J. H. Salley for respondent. Mr. Henderson in reply.

W. C. Vann et al, respondent, vs. J. A. Taylor et al, appellant. Mr. J. B. Salley for appellant, Mr. Wm. M. Smoak, for respondent.

AUGUSTA-AIKEN RAILWAY DEMANDS HIGHER RATES

Columbia, Dec. 5.—At a special meeting of the state railroad commission tonight, the commission stuck to its guns in refusing to increase the rates on the Augusta and Aiken Electric Railway company, and the attorney general's office is preparing an answer which will bring the whole matter before Judge Shipp, who is presiding here, under manumens proceedings brought by the electric line between Aiken and Augusta, which is seeking to secure a rate of two cents per mile.

BUILD BIGGEST FIGHTERS.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Homer B. Ferguson, president of the Newport News Shipbuilding company, tonight signed contracts for the construction of the latest superdreadnaughts, to be called the "Maryland" and the "West Virginia." The Navy Department announced that within a few days similar contracts would be signed with the New York Shipbuilding company for the construction of two other ships of the same type to be named the "Colorado" and the "Washington."

GEN. VON MACKENSEN COMMANDS IN RUMANIA

London, Dec. 4.—All the Teutonic armies operating in Rumania have been incorporated under the command of Field Marshal Von Mackensen, according to dispatches from Berlin to the Exchange Telegraph Company. It is added that this was done to obtain unity of command.

HUGHES LEASE BIG NEW YORK APARTMENT

New York, Dec. 5.—Charles E. Hughes has leased an apartment of fourteen rooms at Madison avenue and Sixty-fourth street, where he and his family will make their home, it was announced today.

POPE BENEDICT NAMES HIS DOMESTIC PRELATE

Rome, Dec. 3.—Pope Benedict has appointed the Rev. James Coyle, member of the Bishop's Council of Fall River, Mass., his domestic prelate. Father Coyle will carry the title of monsignor.

TEN ARRESTS MADE IN ABBEVILLE RIOT

Sheriff Burts Serves Warrants in Connection with Lynching of Anthony Crawford.

Abbeville, Dec. 4.—Ten arrests were made this afternoon by Sheriff Burts in connection with the recent lynching of Anthony Crawford, a negro, in Abbeville. Thirty warrants have been sworn out and are being served by the sheriff and his deputy. Sixteen men are charged with rioting on Monday afternoon following the lynching, when a mob visited every negro establishment in the city and gave them orders to close up. Fourteen are charged with complicity in beating up the negro. All of the men who were arrested today were admitted to bail upon the guarantee of a number of responsible men. The preliminary will be held tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

By the Associated Press.

Abbeville, S. C., Dec. 4.—Fifteen white men were arrested here today following an investigation ordered by Governor Manning into the lynching of Anthony Crawford, a negro, accused of having attacked a white man. Some are accused of murder and the others of rioting. Preliminary hearings probably will be had tomorrow.

Solicitor R. A. Cooper will appear for the State. The following are charged with participating in the lynching: Jeff Cann, Sam Cann, Lester Cann, Will Cann, Burt Ferguson, J. S. Banks, Eugene Nance, Sam Adams, J. V. Elgin, George White, Jr. Charges of rioting are preferred against: Jeff Cann, Sam Cann, Lester Cann, Will Cann, Burt Ferguson, Sam Adams, J. A. Brock, W. D. Bell and Irwin Ferguson. Brock, Bell and Irwin Ferguson waived preliminary this afternoon and were released on bonds of \$200.

SERBS CAPTURE HILL.

Paris, Dec. 4.—Serbian troops have captured a hill north of Grausniste on the Macedonian front, east of the Cerna river bend, the war office announces.

The communication follows: At a point to the east of the River Cerna on December 3, Serbian forces occupied a height north of Grausniste. The enemy was driven back in disorder upon Stravina.

"There has been nothing to report from the remainder of this front."

FEDERAL BENCH FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL?

Washington, Dec. 5.—If Attorney General Gregory carries out his reported intention of resigning from the Cabinet he may be nominated by President Wilson as United States judge in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to succeed the late Judge A. P. McCormick and later promoted to the Supreme Court, when a vacancy occurs. This plan was understood today to be under consideration by President Wilson. The Fifth circuit is made up of Gulf States.

HAS BROUGHT DOWN 20 ENEMY AIRSHIPS

Paris, Dec. 5.—Sub-Lieut. Nagesor shot down two aeroplanes within three hours yesterday, the war office announces. This brings up to twenty the number of aeroplanes brought down by this aviator. There were no developments of importance on the French front last night, the statement says.

DR. LANE, 50, BROTHER OF SECRETARY, DEAD

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 5.—Dr. Frederick K. Lane, brother of the Secretary of the Interior, Franklin D. Lane and for twenty-five years a practicing physician in San Francisco, died here yesterday, aged 50.

Powder Company's Dividends.

Wilmington, Dec. 5.—The Hercules Powder Company today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 2 per cent on its common stock, an extra cash dividend of 1-2 per cent and 47 1-2 per cent in Anglo-French bonds at 95. This makes a total of 55 per cent for the year.

Censorship Removed.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Revocation of the censorship order, which was preventing transmission to the United States of news of events in the Dominican Republic, where the American naval forces have enforced military rule to restore order, was announced at the navy department today.

25 AMERICANS ABOARD

Italian Steamer Palermo Sunk Off Spanish Coast.

Madrid, Dec. 5 (Via Paris).—The Italian steamship Palermo, with twenty-five Americans on board, has been torpedoed off the Spanish coast. One sailor reported to be an American was wounded by a shell and died in a hospital at Palafrugell, Spain where the survivors were landed. Three others were seriously wounded by the torpedo.

The Palermo, 9,203 tons gross, sailed from New York on November 15 for Genoa and Spezia.

"ISSUES" BETWEEN JAPAN AND AMERICA

Relations of the Two Countries Receiving Attention from Japanese Writers.

Tokio, Nov. 2.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—That the relations between Japan and the United States occupy the minds of the Japanese people has been especially evidenced during the last six weeks when a large number of articles concerning that subject have appeared in newspapers and magazines. The authors have addressed themselves with considerable freedom and frankness to the question. Most of them have been prudent and amicable, seeking to find a solution of matters at issue; others "jingoistic" in tone, have voiced pessimism as to the future. The discussion has hinged largely on China. It is to be noted, however, that more eminent and representative writers have placed themselves in the first class, while the lesser known and more sensational Japanese commentators belong to the second.

Japan's present unprecedented prosperity, which is chiefly due to the European war, has swept through the empire a wave of satisfaction that the nation should be attaining such great material progress, and it has awakened all minds to the vast possibilities of continued and constantly augmenting advance in finance, industry and commerce. Developments are to be noted in all directions, and if the war continues for a long period Japan's position will be greatly enhanced. She will reduce her national debt, she will expand her already immense shipping, she will strengthen her industries and, above all, she will extend her commerce. It is the great nation of China to which Japan looks with eager eye for commercial growth, and China is the crux of the relations between Japan and the United States in the immediate future.

Want China's Trade.

At Tokio the belief prevails that Japan will continue her endeavor to increase her political influence in China. But Japanese business men are constantly clamoring for a political ascendancy that will not be so abrupt or so imprudent as to endanger a peaceful economic conquest of the neighboring republic. Put differently conservative Japanese want to break down the barrier of distrust existing in China against things Japanese and replace it with a feeling of confidence which will establish free trade relations based on business factors.

The readiness with which the Chinese recently granted American capitalists a concession to build a long railroad and their hesitation in making contracts with the Japanese has awakened Japanese to the fact that ascendancy in China to be successful must be accompanied by some measure of trust and confidence.

At this particular moment the Japanese idea is the desirability of cooperation with the United States in the development of China. The idea was suggested by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation, during his recent visit to Tokio, and it is understood that some plan of cooperation along broad lines is now being tentatively elaborated by representative Japanese commercial leaders. Although the Russo-Japanese alliance, which calls for mutual cooperation in the defense of their special interests in China, is actively in operation, there is no present proof of prevailing fears that Japan will permit the alliance seriously to prove inimical to the economic interests of America.

Cooperation Suggested.

The idea of cooperation finds favor both in government and non-official circles. It is especially emphasized by Viscount Kato Kaneko, member of the Privy Council, in the October number of Chuo Koron or Central Review. Viscount Kaneko who knows the United States very well, and knows a good deal about the temperament of the American people, comes out flatly in favor of an economic alliance with the United States in respect to China. His reason is that a program of harmony and understanding would avoid needless competition and work to the best interests of Japan, the United States and China. He said: "Japan might make temporary profits by dumping her commodities in China and driving away American goods from that market, but such an act would hardly improve the relations between Japan and America." As he saw the situation they had much better define their respective spheres of economic activity. As an instance, he suggested that Japan might monopolize the small hardware trade in China and leave to Americans the market for nails, iron pipes, etc. In cotton spinning the Japanese might sell coarse threads and the Americans might sell fine threads. It is by such means that a conflict of interests could be avoided. And he added: "If such an effective economic alliance be conducted, agitators may do what they like—there will be no fear of a conflict between the two countries."

Turning to the question of immigration, Viscount Kaneko expressed the opinion that if the Japanese immigrants in the United States are misunderstood there it is largely their own fault. They are not inferior to European immigrants—they are thrifty and humane—but they should adopt American customs and manners, and strive to harmonize with their white neighbors instead of living a life apart. If their cost of living is increased, they could overcome that by selling their products at the same prices as the American farmers

ASSIGNMENT OF METHODIST MINISTERS

IN THIS DISTRICT MADE PUBLIC

FLORENCE SESSION HAS ENDED—MINISTERS ELECTED TO RECEIVE ELDERS' ORDERS ORDAINED BY BISHOP—REV. WATSON B. DUNCAN RETURNS TO MANNING—LIST OF MINISTERS AND THEIR NEW STATIONS.

Florence, Dec. 3.—The final session of the Methodist conference was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Peter Stokes, assisted by H. C. Tucker, of Brazil. Bishop Atkins gave Dr. Tucker an opportunity to render a brief account of his service with the American Bible Society. Watson B. Duncan presented resolutions of thanks and appreciation for the unstinted hospitality of the people of Florence and for all the courtesies shown to the conference, these were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The ministers who have been elected to receive elders' orders were then called to the chancel, and assisted by L. F. Beatty, A. J. Cauten, W. A. Masebeau and H. W. Bayes, bishop Atkins solemnly ordained them by fulfilling the functions of this holy office in the Church of God. Bishop Atkins delivered an address relative to the essential features of the Methodist itinerancy and answered the question "Where are the preachers stationed this year?" by announcing the following appointments:

Charleston District.

G. E. Edwards, presiding elder; Asbury, Paul K. Crosby; Allendale, B. G. Murphy; Appleton, J. R. Sejourner; Beaufort, J. P. Simpson; Bethel circuit, G. L. Ingram; Black Swamp, J. A. McGraw; Bluffton, D. N. Busbee; Charleston, Bethel, S. B. Harper; Hampstead Square, S. D. Colyer; Spring Street, J. P. Inabinit; Trinity, D. M. McLeod; Yonge's Island, C. T. Easterling, Jr.; Cottageville, G. K. Way; Cypress, J. S. Rice; Early Branch, W. G. Atrial; Ehrhardt, C. S. Felder; Estill, W. V. Dible; Hampton, J. T. Peeler; Hendersonville, B. G. Vaughan; Lodge, W. T. Bedenbaugh; Ridgeland, J. B. Prosser; Ridgeville, J. D. Bell; Summerville, J. H. Holland; Walterboro, C. B. Smith; Wando Mission, E. K. Epps; Commission Washington Church, G. E. Edwards.

Florence District.

Peter Stokes, presiding elder; Bennettsville, First Church, R. H. Jones; West End, J. E. Carter; Bennettsville circuit, T. E. Morris; Brightsville, G. W. Davis; Bethlehem, J. T. McFarlane; Cheraw, E. H. Beckham; Chesterfield, J. L. Tyler; Darlington, Trinity, H. J. Cauten; Epworth, J. D. Williams; Darlington circuit, J. S. Beasley; East Chesterfield, Paul T. Wood; Florence, Central, T. G. Herbert; Hartsville, J. T. Fowler; Jefferson, J. A. White; Lamar, W. H. Atrial; Liberty, W. L. Wait; T. B. Owen, supernumerary; Marlboro, J. E. Ford; McBee, S. B. Bailey; McColl, H. G. Hardin; Patrick, W. V. Jermain; Pageland, J. W. Elkins; Pamplico, F. W. Dible; Timmonsville and Pisgah, B. A. Powell; Timmonsville circuit, F. S. Hook; conference secretary of education, Peter Stokes; commissioner Washington Church, Peter Stokes.

Kingstree District.

D. Arthur Phillips, presiding elder; Andrews, G. A. Teasley; Cades, T. W. Goebold; Cordesville, D. O. Spies; Georgetown, Duncan Memorial, L. L. Beelenbaugh; West End, R. R. Tucker; Greeleyville, B. J. Gress; W. H. Whitaker, supernumerary; Johnsonville, W. P. Way; Jordan, W. O. Henderson; Kingstree, G. T. Harmon; Lake City, W. H. Hodges; McClellanville, Gobe Smith;

mers and traders, instead of underselling them. Thus they would root out another cause of ill-feeling.

How to Accomplish Them.

To accomplish these reforms Viscount Kaneko suggests the formation of a Japanese association at San Francisco to oversee the immigrants. If they persist in their ways they should be transported back to Japan. With true assimilation, the writer believed, the Japanese immigrants could reasonably look forward to the right of citizenship and the right to vote "in short," he said, "they will be treated by the white men as their equals."

Dr. Kazutami Ukita, the historian and well-known editor of the Taigo Magazine, discusses American questions in a leading article on the effect of the Russo-Japanese alliance in the control or domination of the Pacific. He believes that by that alliance Japan has strengthened her position in the Asiatic continent.

Pointing out that during the war the Pacific ocean will be exclusively dominated by Japan, Great Britain and the United States, Dr. Ukita says that the United States with its steady naval expansion will become the greatest naval power in the Pacific in the future. He added: "If Japan, Great Britain and the United States cooperate peacefully in the Pacific, and derive the common benefits accruing therefrom, tranquility will reign in the Pacific ocean, but if a peaceful cooperation among these three powers should be found difficult, the Pacific may be turned into a hostile area and the world may witness another great war. At any rate the relations among these three powers in the Pacific are worthy of special study, and we have no doubt that the

New Zion, W. G. Elwell; Pinopolis, F. E. Hodges; Rome, P. A. Murray; Salters, J. C. Davis; Sampit, G. C. Gardiner; Seranton, C. W. Burgess; Summerton, C. G. Derrick; Turbeville, M. F. Dukes; Commissioner Washington Church, D. Arthur Phillips.

Marion District.

M. W. Hook, presiding elder; Aynor, W. H. Richardson; Blenheim, T. L. Belvin; Brownsville, L. T. Phillips; Bucksville, W. A. Youngblood; Centenary, D. D. Jones; Conway, E. L. McCoy; Conway circuit, G. T. Rhoad; Clio, A. D. Betts; Dillon, M. L. Banks; Dillon Mills, J. M. Gasque; Floyds, H. W. Shealey; Floydale, D. H. Everett; Gallivants, W. H. Perry; Lake View, W. Roy Phillips; Latta, W. W. Daniel, Little River, H. T. Morrison; Little Rock, S. J. Bethen; Loris, W. B. Duncan, Jr.; H. L. Singleton, supernumerary; Marion, J. W. Daniel; Marion circuit, M. M. McClendon; Mullins, S. O. Cante; Mullins circuit, J. W. Atrial; Waccamaw, J. E. Cook.

Sunday school field secretary, W. C. Owen.

Horry Industrial institute, S. C. Morris; commissioner of education, F. H. Shuler; commissioner Washington Church, M. W. Hook.

Orangeburg District.

A. B. Cauten, presiding elder; Amberly and mills, E. O. Watson; Barnwell, E. P. Hutson; Branchville, P. B. Ingram; Cameron, J. K. Inabinit; Denmark, J. M. Rogers, W. S. Stokes, supernumerary; Edisto, G. W. Dukes; Grover, J. C. Counts; Hartsville, J. L. Millinex; Holly Hill, R. W. Humphreys; J. F. Way, supernumerary; Norway, R. R. Doyle; North and Limestone, C. B. Burns; Olar, A. S. Sassard; Orangeburg, St. Paul's W. A. Massebeau; Orangeburg circuit, W. A. Beckham; Orange, J. A. Graham; Providence station, P. K. Rhoads; Rowesville, J. J. Stevenson; Smoaks, E. F. Seagrains; Springfield, T. J. White; Spring Hill mission, to be supplied; St. George, W. E. Wiggins.

Editor, Southern Christian Advocate, W. C. Kirkland; commissioner Washington Church, A. J. Cauten.

Sumter District.

H. W. Bayes, presiding elder; Bethune, A. M. Gardner; Bishopville, G. P. Watson; Camden, J. H. Graves; College Place, station, J. P. Patton; J. C. Chandler, supernumerary; Columbia circuit, W. S. Myers, J. W. Welling; Fort Motte, O. N. Rountree; Heath Springs, J. B. Weldon; Kershaw, R. M. Dubose; Lynchburg, F. L. Glennan; Manning, W. B. Duncan; Oswego, S. W. Henry; Pinewood, A. S. Lesley; Providence, T. E. Derrick; St. Johns and Remberts, J. P. Attaway; St. Matthews, G. F. Kirby; Sumter, Trinity, R. S. Truesdale; Broad Street, L. E. Peeler; Sumter mission, A. C. Corbett; Wateree, R. L. Rountree; West Kershaw, E. W. Hurst; Student Moody Institute, S. W. Danner, commissioner Washington Church, H. W. Bayes.

Transferred—B. L. Knight to the upper South Carolina Conference; John Paine to the conference.

Superannuated—R. W. Barber, W. A. Betts, D. D. Dantzler, A. T. Dunlap, J. H. Moore, A. R. Phillips, R. W. Spigner, G. H. Waddell, A. C. Walker, S. A. Webber, G. R. Whitaker, W. W. Williams, J. B. Wilson, S. D. Vaughan, J. N. right.

new Russo-Japanese agreement will have a very important effect thereon."

But Dr. Ukita thinks it is either impossible or unnecessary for any of these three powers to monopolize the sea power in the Pacific. It will be sufficient for Japan, in his opinion, to maintain such a navy as will be competent to protect her from foreign aggression and insure the peace of the Far East.

Other writers participating in the forum include Prof. Shigeo Suyehiro, of the Imperial and Eijo Hirano. Prof. Suyehiro is rather prominent from a trip he made to Mexico when he interviewed President Madero and was heartily welcomed. The other contributors are little known.

NEW CHARTERS.

Columbia, Dec. 5.—The Faircy Drug Company, of St. Matthews, was today chartered by the secretary of state, with a capital of \$3,000. J. K. Faircy is president, and P. W. Faircy, secretary and treasurer.

The Goodwill Stock Company, of Columbia, was chartered, with a capital of \$1,000. S. B. McMaster is president and treasurer, and D. V. Whaley secretary. The company proposes to do a general real estate and farming business.

G. O. P. Congressional Fund.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The Republican congressional campaign committee spent \$346,031 in the recent campaign, according to the final statement filed today with the clerk of the House by Nathan B. Scott, treasurer. The committee collected \$330,800.